

**CHUCK SCHOENNAGEL**

My current position is the Deputy Regional Director for the Minerals Management Service's Gulf of Mexico Region. I was selected to that position in August 1998. I started my career in the Gulf of Mexico Region in August 1973 with the Conservation Division of the U.S. Geological Survey which later was merged into the Minerals Management Service. I have held several offshore operational positions in the Gulf of Mexico Region since my entrance on duty with the last before my selection to Deputy Regional Director being the Chief of the Office of Safety Management in our Field Operations program office.

I graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in engineering science from the University of New Orleans and have qualified as a Professional Engineer in Petroleum Engineering for the State of Louisiana. I have almost 33 years of Federal experience in oil and gas leasing, exploration, and development operations in the Gulf of Mexico Region.